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LAST SAD RITES AT OTTAWA FOR BELOVED VICEROY

Locals Organizing for Livestock Improvement

PARTY CONFLICT STILLED, CANADA MOURNS HER LOSS

State Funeral at Ottawa of Governor-General Who Won Canadians' Affection

DELAY ELECTION ACTIVITY

Broadcasting Programs Changed—
Key Speeches Expected in
Near Future

By M. McDOUGALL
(Special to The Western Farm Leader)

OTTAWA, Feb. 14th.—The capital this week has been paying its final, heartfelt tribute to the late Lord Tweedsmuir, Canada's loved and honored Governor-General. Here, as elsewhere in Canada, the feeling of regret at his passing has been sincere, indeed profound, and citizens have joined with Federal and civic officials in paying silent respect as his body arrived from Montreal and lay in state in the Senate Chamber.

The Real Monument

The real monument to Lord Tweedsmuir does not rest on guards of honor about his bier, in soldiers escorting the remains of the viceroy, in a state funeral attended by dignitaries of church and state such as the one held at St. Andrews Church in Ottawa. These are fitting tributes to the gentleman who represented the King so ably in the Dominion. His true monument is in the deep seated affection with which the people of this country have come to regard Tweedsmuir, the man. His kindness and his friendliness with all, irrespective of their stations in life, his understanding and insight, his genuinely democratic spirit and his unremitting devotion to duty, in spite of his persistent ill health, have all made for him an abiding place in the hearts of the people of Canada. Ottawa is just a small part of the Dominion, but it is the capital and as a tuning fork it gives in large measure the tone of the country. That tone as far as the late Governor-General is concerned rings strong and clear and will sound pleasantly in our ears for many years to come.

Body Lies in State

Leaving the draped station where it had arrived at noon on Tuesday, the casket with the body of His Excellency was carried on a gun carriage between lines of soldiers to the Senate Chamber. There the draped bier guarded by officers of the Governor-General's Foot Guards and the Princess Louise Dragoon Guards lay in state for twenty-four hours. Long lines passed through the red upholstered upper chamber in mute tribute to the Viceroy.

From the Senate the state funeral moved off to St. Andrews Church on Wellington Street where Rev. Mr. Ferguson held the funeral service.

MOURNED BY NATION



The late Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada

The impressive service, the last solemn token of respect to the Canadian people, was attended by the Prime Minister and members of his Cabinet, the leader of the Opposition, Senators, members of the Commons of all parties, the diplomatic corps of Ottawa, representatives of organizations of all kinds in Canada, as well as many friends of the departed Viceroy. All Government offices were closed throughout the day.

The atmosphere in which the funeral rites were carried out in Ottawa was a clear expression of the words of the King's telegram to the Prime Minister: "I share the grief which I know will be felt throughout the Dominion, whose welfare he had so much at heart and to whose service he devoted himself in the face of ill health with unfailing energy and courage." The present belief is that the ashes after cremation in Montreal will be carried in a Canadian destroyer to Britain, where they will be laid to rest by the side of his fathers in a Scottish cemetery.

Election Machinery Stilled

All the election machinery fell silent between the hour of His Excellency's death and the funeral service. (Continued on page 10)

22 FARM LOCALS, EDMONTON AREA, GET INTO STRIDE

New Branch U.F.A. Activity Warmly Welcomed at Organization Meeting This Week

PLANS ARE LAID

Members of Executive Meet Local Representatives of U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Locals

Attended by representatives of 14 U.F.A. and 8 U.F.W.A. Locals from the farming areas in the neighborhood of Edmonton, a meeting held in the northern city this week completed arrangements to organize for livestock improvement. The work will be carried on as part of the activity of the new branch of the U.F.A. known as "The Alberta Livestock Improvement Association," a description of which will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Norman F. Priestley, Vice-President, and Jack Sutherland and George E. Church of the U.F.A. Executive, attended the conference and explained the objects of the new branch activity.

Messrs. Rudolf Hennig, James Bentley and R. M. McCool were appointed a committee to make arrangements for a systematic canvass of the area and to inform Locals of the work they could undertake under the U.F.A. Livestock Improvement plans.

Co-operative development in the Edmonton district was also discussed by the Conference.

PRESSES CHARGES

Names of 21 witnesses, including the Premier, were presented to the chairman of the Public Accounts Committee of the Alberta Legislature by Liberal Leader Gray on Wednesday, as those of persons he proposes to summon in connection with his charges against the Department of Agriculture.

BUDGET CARRIES

EDMONTON, Feb. 14th.—The budget carried Tuesday night. The Liberal leader, Mr. Gray, quoted figures to show that ordinary costs of Government had multiplied many times; admitting the presence of certain economies, he charged that all the Government had saved it had diverted to increased costs in other directions.

D. M. Duggan, (Cons., Edmonton) declared that no auditor would say that there has been a decrease of the public debt, but rather an increase of about \$1,000,000.

Canada will supply 100,000 tons of coal to Japan, the Japanese Minister of Commerce said in Tokio.

The Hollinger gold mines reported a net profit of over \$5,680,000 last year.

Welles, Mussolini to Confer

ROME, Feb. 14th.—Arrangements have now been completed for conferences of Sumner Welles, representative of President Roosevelt, with Mussolini. Announcement of the forthcoming visit has aroused more interest here than in other European capitals. It is semi-officially stated that Italy will not consider participating in any peace parleys which do not consider her claims against France in respect of Tunisia, Jibuti and Syria.

As Mussolini speaks English no interpreter will be necessary and his talks with Sumner Welles will be held strictly in camera.

The Chinese claim to have recaptured, after heavy fighting, Pingyang and Wuming, in Kwangsi province. Last week the Japanese reported a victory in that area.

The Co-operative Union Executive (Great Britain) has set up a special committee to consider the question of peace terms. The committee will report to the Co-operative Congress in May.

CO-OPERATION'S FOUR C's

The four C's of co-operation are comradeship, conciliation, confidence and consecration. Acquaintance-ship and friendship are necessary. To know one another and of each other's needs and problems is a first essential of co-operation.

Conciliation is the second characteristic. The unavoidable differences of opinion in a large group demand of members and leaders alike a conciliatory attitude and a willingness to yield here and there an individual right for the sake of harmony and the common good.

Confidence is a vital part of the co-operative spirit. Faith in our ability to carry on; faith in our fellow men; faith in our organization and our leaders; faith in co-operation itself as a way to meet our problems; faith in God. Co-operation is founded on character.

Consecration is the fourth and final factor of the co-operative spirit. The very difficult task confronting those who believe in co-operation demands the self-sacrificing devotion of men and women who vision its possibilities. To make these ideals known and to make them effective in their organizations is the special obligation and opportunity of the men and women in the farmers' co-operatives.

ALBERTA POOL ELEVATORS

"CANADA, 1940"

The 1940 edition of "Canada," just published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, is a most useful reference book. It consists of over 800 pages, divided into eighteen chapters dealing with various phases of Canada's national life and including latest available statistics and a great many illustrations. There is also a short review of current developments at the close of 1939, and a special article

on the Western Oil Situation. Chapter 1 on the Constitution and Government of Canada has been specially prepared for this edition. Copies can be secured from the King's Printer, Ottawa, at 25 cents each or 10 cents for teachers, bona fide students and ministers of religion.

After fifteen years' continuous service, H. C. Smith retired from the secretaryship of Federal U.F.A. Local

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How to Improve Quality of Our Commercial Grain

As Spring Work Approaches, Howard P. Wright Gives Timely Description of Purposes and Plans of Alberta Crop Improvement Association.

Setting forth the objects of the Alberta Crop Improvement Association, and describing its form of organization and methods, Howard P. Wright, Airdrie, of the Board of the Association, in a recent address in Calgary, stressed the importance to every grain grower of the Province of the work which is being carried on by this organization. With the approach of spring work on the land, *The Western Farm Leader* presents an outline of Mr. Wright's address, which will doubtless prove of especial interest and value to all readers.

The answer to the question, "How to improve the quality of commercial grain in Canada?" said Mr. Wright, could be expressed briefly in these words:

"By the regular introduction of Field Inspected Seed on every farm, every four or five years, of varieties adopted and suited to the district, whether for milling, malting or feeding purposes, as the case may require."

While this answer was clear and simple, said Mr. Wright, the practical means to its realization involved a positive and determined effort in which co-operation between growers and the various organizations engaged in the effort to improve quality was of the utmost importance.

Alberta's Standing High

"The fact is, of course," he added, "that we do produce grain of excellent quality in Alberta, and much evidence can be produced to support this statement. Alberta's record in the grain shows and seed fairs is without parallel, and we have shipped millions of bushels of excellent milling and baking wheat, and Alberta oats are noted for their excellent weight and quality for making a substantial portion of Canada's breakfast food. All this being true, yet on the other side we find a great deal of inferior material being offered for sale.

"If our crops are reasonably good, why should any further effort be made along crop improvement lines?"

Why Further Effort Imperative

"There are many reasons why this is absolutely imperative. There are certain hereditary factors in all grains that, if used continually, will tend to degenerate and break down from their original pure state. Natural crossing in the field takes place to a small degree. Mechanical mixing is probably more responsible on the average farm than any other, and varieties become mixed in bins, seed drills, wagons, trucks, cleaning equipment, threshing machines, volunteer grain, etc., and always in introducing a new variety on a farm this will go on to a greater or less extent, depending on the care exercised by the operator.

"Realizing the importance of Crop Improvement, we can look back to the beginning of agriculture in this Province and find that certain agencies employing different methods, were soon actively interested in attempting to improve grain crops, and as the Province developed in later years we find more organizations and methods being developed toward this end.

Bodies That Have Encouraged Improvement

"The Dominion Government through its Seed Branch; The Provincial Department of Agriculture through the Field Crops Branch; The University of Alberta and its Field Crops Department; The Dominion Government again through the Experimental Farms; The Alberta Seed Growers' Association as a marketing agency for its growers' products; The Alberta Branch of the Canadian

Seed Growers in educational programs; The Junior Grain Clubs, directed by the Provincial Government and receiving support from the Alberta Wheat Pool, the United Grain Growers and the Canada Malting Company; The Crop Testing Plan as directed by Major H. G. L. Strange and supported by a number of elevator Companies. Briefly these are the organizations, if that term may be used, that have carried us along up to the present time and have brought our production up to the desirable point that it is.

"With all of these operating, you can readily see there would be some overlapping and possibly confusion, and it has been felt by several that if in some simple way the efforts and activities of many of them could be co-ordinated or directed to a common purpose, still better and more definite results could be secured.

Purpose of New Association

"Toward this end, for the past three or four months, a number of us have given this question a great deal of thought and many contacts have been made. Out of it all has come a new association to be known as the Alberta Crop Improvement Association. The easier and more simple it can be made for commercial grain growers to secure satisfactory supplies of seed, the better the results will be—satisfactory to the purchaser, might be said to include price, quality, variety, quantity, and ease of transaction. This thought has been kept definitely in front of us at all times in the preparation and development of the plan."

(Description of the set-up of the Alberta Crop Association, and a description of its program in operation, as outlined by Mr. Wright, will be given in our next issue; and will, we have no doubt, be found of great interest and value by our readers.—Editor.)

Dates for Class B fairs in Alberta this year are: Red Deer, July 22-24; Camrose, July 25-27; Vegreville, July 29-31; Vermilion, August 1-2.

With a total population of less than 4,000,000, Finland has over 6,000 co-operative retail establishments, according to a publication of the Co-operative Union in Manchester.

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Assistance Doubtful

E.M.B.—You have reduced the principal of the mortgage by \$300.00 and the interest is paid up to January, 1939. I would gather that the amount now due is considerably less than the value of the land security. I doubt if under these circumstances you would get any assistance from the Board of Review under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act. The Provincial Debt Adjustment Board would probably insist on the mortgagee making some reduction in view of the rate of interest which you have been paying, but there is no way you can compel the mortgagee to submit his claim to that Board. I do not know of any way, therefore, that you can compel the mortgagee to accept any reduction in the amount of this claim.

Can Apply to Board

L.B.H.—As your debtor has land in this Province you can apply to the Provincial Debt Adjustment Board for a permit to sue and obtain judgment for the amount of your note. The debtor would have to arrange some terms of settlement, otherwise a permit would no doubt be granted and you could obtain judgment and register a Writ of Execution against the land. Unless the land is very badly encumbered you would probably realize your claim in time. Having regard to the small fee necessary to apply to the Debt Adjustment Board I would think it would be worth your while to do so.

Livestock and Stock Crossing

H.S.—I assume you live in a Municipal District which has passed a by-law prohibiting the running at large of livestock. If so the precaution you should take is to have some person in charge of the livestock when putting them across the highway at the stock crossing so that they cannot be considered as running at large. The person in charge should of course use reasonable discretion in watching for motor traffic.

Sub-contractor and Mechanics Lien

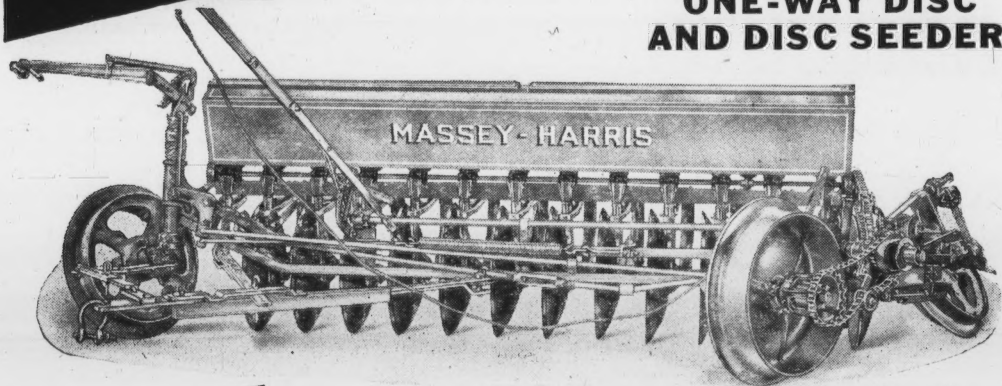
J.M.—Any sub-contractor working on the house has the right to file a mechanic's lien at any time within thirty-five days after the last work was performed on the house. The act requires the owner to hold at least twenty percent of the contract price for this statutory period of thirty-five days or a larger percentage if you have received notice in writing of any claims by sub-contractors. Under the circumstances I would advise you to hold the balance of the contract price for thirty-five days from the completion of the work unless the contractor gives you adequate proof that all sub-contractors have been paid. You should be careful also to see that no sub-contractor by doing some small additional piece of work succeeds in reviving the lien if the thirty-five days have expired.

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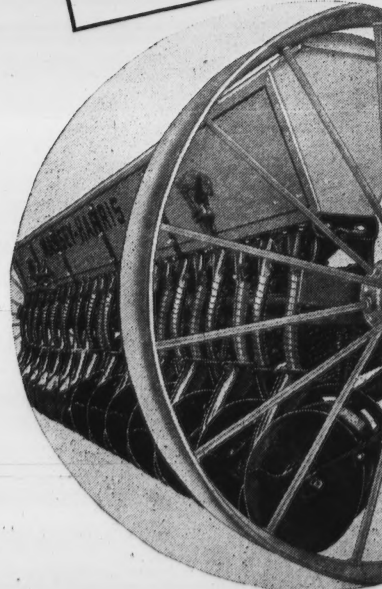
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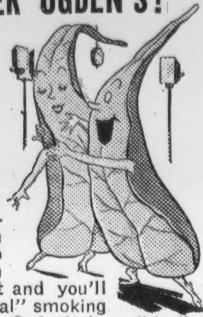


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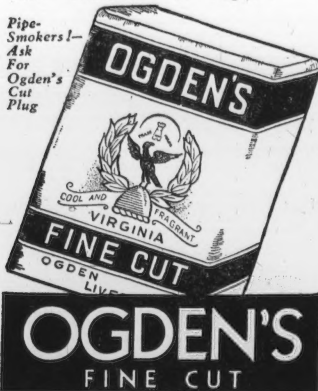
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LORD TWEEDSMUIR

John Buchan, first Baron Tweedsmuir, was certainly the most widely known and we think the most popular Governor-General Canada has ever had.

In the long line of his predecessors, many of whom gained the very high regard of Canadians, none travelled so widely in the Dominion or met so many of its citizens; none displayed such an avid interest in everything that concerned Canada and its people.

Frail in health, Lord Tweedsmuir was possessed of a dauntless and adventurous spirit, and a driving energy that carried him into many parts of this vast land which few Canadians have had the time or opportunity or curiosity to visit. The North attracted him, and he learned much of the life on Canada's frontiers. He burned himself out in his determination to make the most of the days allotted to him as the representative of the King.

Had he lived to write of his life in Canada, he would no doubt have added pages of distinction to the story of the Dominion's contemporary development, and described in books which would have become memorable, the story of his sojourn amongst us.

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DEAN HOWES

A few weeks ago we published a review of Dean Howes' book of reminiscences, "With a Glance Backward." Dean Howes lived long enough to enjoy the popularity which the book rapidly won in Canada.

A pioneer in the field of agricultural education in the West, Dean Howes placed the farm people in his debt. He took a great and kindly interest in everything that had to do with the welfare of the agricultural community. He will be remembered affectionately by a great number of Albertans who had the privilege of knowing him, and particularly by those who as farm young people came under his instruction during courses at the University, or at such gatherings as the Farm Young People's Conference.

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"THAT MILLION BUSHELS"

No one who is concerned about the outcome of the war would think of objecting to the ban on the shipment of a million bushels of Canadian wheat to Vladivostok if it will serve to increase the strength of the Allied arms or improve their relative economic position in the present conflict. But on the part of many of those who have written or said most about the matter, we are afraid there has been a certain inconsistency.

Since 1931 the militarists in control of the Government of Japan have destroyed more human lives and caused misery to a vastly greater number of human beings than all the other aggressors of the world combined. The sinews of war have come very largely from the United States and Canada, and Japan is now mainly dependent upon this continent for her ability to carry on her destructive campaign against China.

Yet when a voice has been raised here and there in support of a ban on exports to Japan of materials useful in war, the response in high quarters has been for the most part negative. The exports have continued, and the prosperity of the Canadian nickel industry, for example, owes much to this nefarious traffic. Only the other day it was announced from Tokio that an order for 100,000 tons of coal has been placed in Canada.

So while we are not inclined to quarrel with the decision of the Canadian Government, in a matter concerning which they are of course fully informed, and we are not, we do think the episode has brought to the surface a great deal of nauseating hypocrisy in some quarters. It has of course brought to the surface as well, amongst the general public, a good deal of genuine resentment of Russia's attack upon Finland, and of sincere sympathy for the Finns, who have suffered the devastation of a portion of their country.

Canada is not at present at war with Russia, any more than it is at war with Japan. Quite rightly, an effort is being made to maintain friendly relations with Japan, as it is with the Italy of Mussolini. This is sound sense and justifiably realistic politics. Strategic consideration, military or economic, may dictate one policy or another to the Allied Governments from time to time. But if it is morally reprehensible to ship wheat to Siberia, where it would doubtless be used by the Russian armies confronting Japan, it is certainly not less morally reprehensible to trade with Japan or with Italy.

It is well, in considering all these matters, to clear our minds of cant—a problem which may present some difficulty to those who have investments in certain of the war industries, and who have been doing very well in the past few years.

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"The Co-operative Movement is an emerging sector of a society which is at once democratic and corporate. It is made up of groups. Its power is in its locals. Its financial set-up is a just one. It is clean new tissue within the economic body, and with a proper program of adult education has the juices of growth within it."—Maritime Co-operator.

New Chapter Opens in Livestock Improvement in Province

By the EDITOR

A new chapter in the efforts of organized Alberta farmers to improve the conditions of the industry was written early this month. It was written at a conference, whose opening was announced in the last issue of the *Leader*, between the Boards of the U.F.A. Co-operative Association and of the Central Alberta Livestock Association.

As the outcome of this conference, co-ordination of the work of these two organizations is now being completed. A new branch of the U.F.A. to be known as the Alberta Livestock Improvement Association, has been set up. Responsibility will be allocated between the two organizations, the U.F.A. Central Co-operative being the wholesale purchasing medium, and the Central Alberta Livestock Association in conjunction with U.F.A. Locals, attending to distribution. Supervision will be exercised by a joint committee consisting of two members from each organization.

Thus a major step has been taken in carrying out the mandate of the last U.F.A. Annual Convention, which asked the officers of the U.F.A. to promote the co-ordination of activities of all Alberta farm organizations. One Convention resolution specifically asked the U.F.A. and the Central Alberta Livestock Association to come together for joint action. The purpose in view is the improving of livestock breeding, eradication of such pests as bot fly and warble fly, and support of the drive for improved commercial seed, and other such activities.

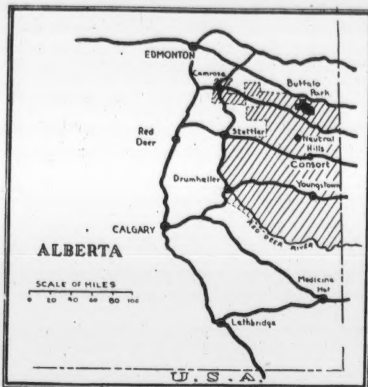
The Central Alberta Livestock Association came into being some years ago, as the indirect outcome of the valuable educational work which had been carried on, for better sires, and for eradication of animal diseases, by Arthur Newman of Lacombe, a Dominion Government expert. Mr. Newman had done a great deal to improve conditions before the organization commenced, throughout a wide area of Central Alberta, of the Agricultural Improvement Associations which today perform an important service in their communities.

As the work of the "A.I.A.'s" grew in extent, assisting in the development of local leadership and giving educational assistance, the need was felt for a co-ordinating agency for the various units. The Central Alberta Livestock Association was brought into being for this purpose. Its formation has been much more than justified by already far-reaching results. In the campaign which has now been launched it will enter a widely extended field of service.

At the meeting in Calgary, presided over by Henry E. Spencer of Edgerton, who represented the Chauvin-Wainwright regional livestock board, there were present in the persons of C. D. Lane of Neutral Hills, President of the Central Alberta Livestock Association, and other members of the Board, a group of men whose energy and active work have been very largely responsible for the successes so far achieved. In addition to those already named, the members of the Board present were J. Darroch (Hoadley-Dickson regional board), J. R. Clarke (Sedgewick-Provost regional board), Lorne Proudfoot (Goose Lake regional board), E. Lougheed (Neutral Hills regional board), A. T. Stratton (Ersine-Coronation regional board).

President Robert Gardiner of the United Farmers of Alberta attended the sessions, taking part in the work of organization with the members of the Board of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative, today one of the most successful farmer co-operatives in Canada.

Restricted Area for T. B. Eradication



One of the results of the work carried on by the Central Alberta Livestock Association, referred to elsewhere on this page, has been the proclamation of the large area north and east of boundaries formed by the Red Deer River, and extending north of the Battle River, as a restricted area for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis. The Association had been pressing for such action for some years. Appreciation of the action of the Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture, in proceeding with the matter, was expressed at the joint conference of the U.F.A. Co-operative Board and the Board of the Central Alberta Livestock Association in Calgary this month. The map gives a broad indication of the area, which contains between 110,000 and 120,000 head of cattle. Testing is now proceeding in Starline and Lloyd George Municipal Districts. To become a certified T. B. free area it is necessary to have not more than half of one per cent reactors in the area.

No New Taxation in Budget Presented in Alberta Legislature

EDMONTON, Feb. 14th.—With no new taxation and with increased expenditure planned in most Government departments, the budget for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1941, brought down by Hon. Solon E. Low on Monday, plans for a deficit of \$1,169,841. Revenues are estimated at \$20,343,466 and expenditures of \$21,513,308.

The Government plans to spend \$207,000 more for education than in current year, \$95,000 more on treasury branches, \$22,000 more mothers' allowances and old age pensions and \$50,000 for cancer treatment. The appropriation for main and district highway construction is \$1,074,000. \$500,000 is estimated for redemption of Provincial Savings certificates.

Mr. Low stated that the Provincial debt had been reduced by the present

This Board consist of Norman F. Priestley, chairman; J. K. Sutherland and George E. Church. R. M. McCool, field man for the co-operative, attended the conference.

First U.F.A. Local to take action to assist in making the new branch of the Association a success was that of Hanna, and as described elsewhere, a large group of Edmonton Locals was organized this week for the purpose. Entire organization of the Central Office of the U.F.A. is being placed behind this new activity.

LONG SERVICE

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Fill in Your Nomination Forms at Once, Urges President

Details of Pool Operations Described at Eagle Hill . . .

"Parkwood",
Bowden, Alta.,
February 10th, 1940.

Before the next issue of *The Western Farm Leader* reaches you, Nomination Forms for the selection of a Delegate to represent your sub-district will be in your hands, so I would like to take this opportunity of suggesting that you do not delay but ACT at once on receipt of same and thus make sure that you are represented at the next Annual Meeting, which will likely be held in June next.

This Meeting will be a very the future of your Pool for the happy one, for the financial report delegates are vested with the same reveals an eminently successful powers which could be exercised by year, far exceeding expectations, the members assembled in general and for this very reason I make this meeting. Moreover, they select special appeal, for one is so apt your Board of Directors who determine policies; therefore if we things are going so well. The program of operations, together with, turn select good Delegates who the line of policy adopted early in should have sound policies. If 1939, has borne fruit, but it is still your Co-operative is to be as necessary that your Delegate body be enthusiastic and of the very successful as you wish it to be, best material possible, so that they may again help and solve future problems as they arise.

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A rather nasty night did not deter a goodly number of patrons from attending a C.A.D.P. meeting held in the school house at Eagle Hill recently, when the activities of the Organization were reviewed and discussed from every angle.

Details of Pool's Accomplishments

With Mr. Ed. Roaneberg in the chair and Mr. Archie Snow acting as secretary, those present heard from Mr. MacShane details of the Pool's accomplishments since its inception in 1924 up to and including 1938. He also spoke of the excellent condition of the three plants and of their ability to handle efficiently and economically a far larger volume. He also touched on the loyalty of the staff, and the fervor of members shown at all meetings he had been privileged to attend.

Mr. George Julien, manager of the Bowden Plant, in a few well chosen remarks said how pleased he was to be able to get acquainted with so many of the patrons at Eagle Hill, and extended to each a hearty invitation to drop in at the Creamery at any time for he was anxious to keep in close touch with all patrons. He said he was certain they would be more than pleased with their compact little plant at Bowden. Mr. Antrim, the Field Man, asked all members to do their best in co-operating with the truck-man; it was the endeavor of all concerned to give the shipper the very best of service at all times, but sometimes conditions made it almost impossible to get through exactly on time.

Progress to take the place of loyal, hard working members. Your Pool needs your active co-operation in the matter of choosing from among yourselves a representative who will help to make 1940 the best year ever—and please remember the dead line set for nomination forms to REACH Alix is March 15th.

We trust you will make it a point to deal with this item promptly—just as soon as Nomination Forms reach you.

Faternally yours,

GEORGE K. MacSHANE,
President.

Pool Delegate Passes

We record with very great regret, which will be shared by his many friends, including especially those who have had the privilege of being associated with him in the farm movement, the death of Paul B. Thomas, a Central Alberta Dairy Pool delegate for the Olds sub-district. The death followed an accident on Mr. Thomas's farm in the Betchton district, near Olds, some two weeks ago, when he was crushed by a horse. He passed away three days later, on February 3rd, in Innisfail Hospital. The funeral took place at Olds, on Monday of last week, February 5th. Mr. Thomas was a staunch supporter of farmer co-operation in its various forms, and rendered valuable service to the Dairy Pool. He was an active worker in the United Farmers of Alberta both at Olds and in his former home near Cereal; and was a member of the Board of the United Church. He leaves to mourn his loss his widow and one child. Mr. Thomas was universally respected and admired, as a good neighbor and a good citizen.

Every Member Should Have Full Statement

Copies of the full statement on C.A.D.P. operations have been mailed to members and should now be in your hands. If your copy has not been received, please write at once to the Head Office at Red Deer.

Manager Describes Operations

It was left to Mr. Johnstone, the General Manager, to give in detail the operations which have been so successful in each of the units during the past year. The three charts used by Mr. Johnstone told their own story and left an impression which will be remembered to a far greater extent than if only words and figures had been used. He closed a pleasant and instructive address with these words: "1939 has been a good year; the success of your Pool in 1940 will be in direct ratio to the support given it by the cream and milk producers in Central Alberta."

A question period brought to a close a meeting which augurs well for the continued success of the Pool in this district.

More than 6,000 farm people from the drought regions of central U.S. move into California each month, said a Senate committee report, in California.

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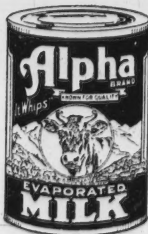
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Pool Delegates Ask Wheat Price Increase

An increase in the Wheat Board price was asked in a resolution passed by the Alberta Wheat Pool delegates in special convention last week and forwarded to the Federal Government. The present price is 70c for One Northern at the terminal.

The resolution passed by the delegates was based on the fact that the producers had originally requested a minimum price of 80c; that the 70c price meant only an average net price to the farmer of around 50c a bushel; that the development of war has made it important that Western Canada should produce an abundance of food and that the farmers' cash reserves have been depleted over the past nine years by low prices and a number of poor crops.

"Therefore be it resolved," the resolution concludes, "that the delegates of the Alberta Wheat Pool, assembled in special convention, request the Government of Canada to arrange for an increase in the initial payment of the Canadian Wheat Board before spring so that additional money shall be made available to farmers who delivered their grain to the Board to enable them to seed their usual acreage in an efficient manner."

The increasing of the price would, of course, provide an extra payment for all who have delivered wheat to the Board from the 1939 crop.

Junior Conference Fund

All U.F.A., U.F.W.A. and Junior Locals are asked to contribute to our Junior Conference Fund. All Locals sending in \$5 are entitled to a rebate on a delegate's transportation costs. If you can't raise \$5 send in any amount, no matter how small. All money sent to Central Office will be used to help cover costs of the Junior Conference, and the more we collect the more we can refund to the delegates. Send your contributions to Central Office, Renfrew Building, as soon as possible.

New U.F.A. Locals

New U.F.A. Locals reported recently include the following:

Warrensville, in the Peace River district, with G. R. Charles secretary and J. A. McIntyre president.

Scotfield, in Acadia Constituency, reorganized, with A. MacDonald and C. J. Peacock officers.

Round Hill, in the Camrose constituency, organized by William Runte. Harold J. Mohler is president and Theo Foss secretary.

Lake de May, reorganized following meeting addressed by William Runte.

LEADER LEGAL DEPARTMENT (Continued from page 3)

Can't Compel Rent Reduction

B.—There is no way the tenant can compel you to reduce the rental under the Lease. I regret I cannot advise you further as to your rights without seeing the Lease.

Service for Subscribers

Subscribers to *The Western Farm Leader* may submit questions of a legal nature for answer in our Legal Department. The subscription is One Dollar a year. This service does not provide for the answering of inquiries by mail.

Beginning March 1st, Saskatchewan car owners will pay reduced license fees. Farm trucks will pay a flat rate of \$10 with the privilege of hauling grain and cordwood for hire.

Czech towns and villages are being given German names by the Nazi authorities.

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Current News from Near and Far

DIARY OF TWO WARS

Feb. 1st.—Chamberlain refuses Lab-or demand for Minister to co-ordinate economic activities. Sinking of one British steamer announced. Swedish and Norwegian vessels sunk, Danish vessel mined with loss of 15 lives. Poles charge 15,000 leaders shot by German since occupation Western Poland. Von Ribbentrop says neither Germany nor Russia will make war in Balkans. Finnish president offers "honorable peace."

Feb. 2nd.—Germany has requisitioned all fuel oil in German-occupied Poland. Want and suffering in Poland, and brutal treatment by the Nazi conquerors are reported in "white papers" issued by the Polish Government in exile. Finns say Russian attacks again repulsed on Karelian front. Russian papers attack British policy in Palestine.

Feb. 3rd.—Two, or possibly three, German bombers shot down by R.A.F. pursuit planes off north-east coast of England. British armed trawler sinks German submarine. New British-Turkish trade agreement signed. Finns report capture some Russian positions north of Lake Ladoga. Finnish emissaries in U.S. appeal for aid, say planes especially needed. Germany

will give no guarantees to Rumania, says Berlin report. Loss of Norwegian and Greek vessels reported; German radio announces British *Oregon* torpedoed off Spanish coast.

Feb. 4th.—Russian planes bomb Finnish seaport Abo.

Feb. 5th.—Allied War Council meets in Paris, discusses sending munitions to Finns, report. French authority states total of at least 40 German submarines sunk by Allies. German radio reports crews of submarines *Starfish* and *Undine* safe, prisoners. Russia has organized first collective farm in Russian-occupied Poland. Germany asks Rumania to disband border troops.

Feb. 6th.—Shipment of 50 carloads of Italian planes to Finland via France reported in Paris. 250,000 Czechs taken to Germany for forced labor, says London report. Oslo newspaper says Germans preparing peace offers. C.P.R. freighter *Beaverburn* sunk by torpedo, off Irish coast. U.S. has delivered over 1,100 aircraft to Allies.

Feb. 7th.—Irish steamer sunk, presumably by mine. British children still in danger areas to return to school.

Feb. 8th.—Third contingent of Can-

adian forces reach England. Chamberlain states real assistance is being given to Finland. Balkan countries increase armies. Swiss order Russian, former under-secretary of League of Nations, to leave country. Finns report capture of Russian patrols dropped by parachute behind lines.

Feb. 9th.—British planes repulse German bombers over Firth of Forth. Turks seize German-owned Krupp shipworks and order 100 German technicians to leave country; state far-reaching sabotage plot discovered. Greece may be drawn into war says Premier. Fighting continues on Mannerheim line. U.S. under secretary of state, Sumner Welles, to visit Italy, France, Germany and Great Britain for informal peace talks. British Union of postal workers demands Chamberlain clarify peace conditions. French Chamber of Deputies holds first secret session in twenty years.

Feb. 10th.—British Admiralty reports two armed trawlers sunk, 22 men lost. Rumania has declined Nazi demand for demobilization of troops to speed production of exports to Germany. British destroyer sinks two German submarines. Reported hundreds of British volunteer to aid Finns. Nazis place 500 Czech leaders in "protective custody," says report from Prague. British Labor opposes any peace negotiations with Nazi government of Germany.

Feb. 11th.—Finns claim holding ground after ten days of heavy Russian attack on Mannerheim line.

Feb. 12th.—Two British, one Norwegian vessel damaged by German air attacks. British *Oregon*, previously reported sunk, reaches Spanish port, damaged by storms. 462 Germans arrive in Italy en route from Tanganyika to Germany. Australian (unofficially reported to number 30,000) troops reach Suez, for service in Near East. Netherlands steamer sunk by torpedo.

Feb. 13th.—German freighter *Wakama* fired by her crew when overhauled by British warships, near Rio de Janeiro. Crew of British trawler, sunk by German bombs, reaches port after 50 hours in open boat. Belgian, Netherlands, Estonian and Norwegian vessels lost. German troop movements in former Czechoslovakia. New Turkish trade treaty expected to divert trade from Germany to Britain. Reports from Helsinki state Estonia and Latvia dissatisfied with Russian agreements. British call for 10,000 fishermen for minesweeping; plan stronger air patrol to protect shipping. Polish Government in Paris claims 200 of 2,000 Polish prisoners frozen to death on journey from East Prussia to Warsaw.

Feb. 14th.—Survivors continue to bring reports of neutral freighters, fishing boats and other vessels damaged or sunk by Nazi attacks from the air or by submarines and mines. All or part of crews of Swedish and Norwegian freighters and British trawler reach British ports today. German *Wolfsburg* scuttled off Brazil. British *Broadbuck* in distress in Mediterranean. Tension grows between Hungary and Rumania. Finnish town of Porvoo bombed; Finns state line remains unbroken under heavy pressure. U.S. Senate approves loans to Finland as well as China. British tanker *Triumph* sinks in North Sea after explosion, crew believed save. Polish farmers compelled sell all products, reserving only bare subsistence, for export to Germany, says London despatch. Russians advance on Karelian front.

The British Government has expressed formal regret to Japan over the *Asama Maru* incident, and has agreed to turn over 9 of the 21 German seamen taken from the Japanese vessel.

FARM SURPLUSES

The real problem of agricultural surpluses, said Dr. A. E. Taylor, economist, at a farm problem conference in New York City, is increasing low incomes. "Eleven million American families," he said, "with an income of less than \$1,000 per year constitute a potential market without the power to buy."

H. B. MacLeod was elected mayor of High River on Monday.

J. J. Duggan, assessment and tax authority, and brother of the Provincial Conservative leader, died in Edmonton on Saturday.

Dean E. A. Howes of the College of Agriculture of the University of Alberta, died in Edmonton last week at the age of 67.

Italy plans to have twice as many military planes and pilots by the end of the year, the under secretary for aviation announced in Rome.

About 350 are in attendance at the annual convention of the Alberta Dairyfarmers Association which opens in Calgary as *The Leader* goes to press.

Twenty-four C.C.F. candidates for the Provincial general election have been nominated, and it is expected that this number will be increased to forty.

Independent candidates to be named at meetings held this week and next will bring the total number in the Province to 42, said John I. McFarland, chairman of the Unity Council, on Monday.

Funeral services were held last week for Mrs. W. Cyprian Pinkham, widow of the former Bishop of Calgary. She was born at Fort Garry (Winnipeg) ninety years ago, and came to Calgary half a century ago.

The U.S. Congress has cut the administration's farm appropriation by \$70,000,000, though the amount asked, \$722,000,000, was less by some \$579,000,000 than the amount available during the current fiscal year.

Jail sentences were meted out to rioters in Belfast who demonstrated against the hanging of two I.R.A. members for murder by bombing in England. Further bombings took place in English cities on the eve of the execution.

The Du Pont corporation (U.S.) reported profits of over \$93,000,000 last year; for 1938 the figure was just over \$50,000,000. The head of the company stated that since 1936 no efforts had been made to sell military explosives in foreign countries.

In explanation of letters quoted in a recent broadcast by Mayor Davison of Calgary, Premier Aberhart stated that a syndicate headed by J. J. Sousa had proposed to build a highway through Alberta to Alaska and to refund the Provincial debt at 2 per cent. The letter from Mr. Aberhart, read over the air, asked for \$5,000,000 as working capital for a Provincial bank, this sum to be met by an issue of 2 per cent Alberta bonds.

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Clearing Decks for Election, Government Seeks Short Session

Liberal Leader Makes Charges, Demands Investigation—Voted Down—Sousa Agreement

Special to The Western Farm Leader
By PAUL MAARTEN

EDMONTON, Feb. 12th.—It is the obvious intention of the Government forces in the Legislature to wind up the session as quickly as conveniently can be done—next Saturday if possible. The purpose is that a Provincial general election may be held before the Federal election date (March 26th). It is not yet quite so obvious, but strongly suspected by the Government, that the opposition, at some stage, intends to manoeuvre sufficient delay to prevent this if possible.

Opposition Leader's Charges

Such, for instance, is suspected of being the motive behind a motion by E. L. Gray (Liberal leader) for an inquiry by the public accounts committee into alleged "graft" in the Department of Agriculture, in which the Provincial Treasury, the Attorney-General, and the Department of Trade and Industry would have been involved.

Hon. D. B. Mullen, Minister of Agriculture, denied the charges categorically and, though he said he would welcome an inquiry, joined the solid ranks of Government supporters in voting against it.

If no obstacle is successfully raised, March 21st is thought to be the most likely election date, with a session of the new legislature opening about April 15th.

Speeding Up

Another indication of the intention to hurry business is a motion by Hon. Lucien Maynard to suspend the rules so as to permit—as the present rules do not—of night sittings on Wednesdays and on Saturdays.

Furthermore, the debate on the Speech from the Throne, initiated by N. B. James (S. C., Acadia) and Mrs. Edith Gostick (S. C., Calgary) as mover and seconder, was despatched with record expedition. Starting immediately after His Honor had withdrawn on the opening day, Thursday, a division was taken before noon on Saturday. The opposition staged the almost customary show of no confidence—at Friday night's sitting, but without success.

The Sousa Agreement

When the Conservative party leader, D. M. Duggan, produced a notarial copy of the Government's agreement with J. J. Sousa, Los Angeles financier, which he had "got in the mail," and when the Provincial Treasurer, (Mr. Low), insisted on knowing who sent it "in the mail," Mr. Duggan, hesitantly admitted it was Mayor Davison.

Under the agreement, dated May 31st, 1938, Sousa was to underwrite the Provincial debt of \$150,000,000, but it expired nearly a year ago. Mr. Duggan's complaint, in brief, was that Sousa lacked the necessary experience for such a transaction and that the Government's method was "clumsy" and "silly."

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Soldiers Outside Alberta Will Be Unable to Vote in Coming Provincial Election

EDMONTON, Feb. 14th.—Contrary to Press reports, as well as a general impression in the Legislature, Alberta soldiers now overseas, or anywhere in fact, except in Alberta, will not vote in the Provincial election.

In the early hours of this session, the Liberal leader, E. L. Gray, asked the Premier if the Government was considering taking the soldiers' vote, to which the Premier (Mr. Aberhart) answered that the Government had it under consideration.

However, on Monday Mr. Aberhart intimated that he only meant soldiers in Alberta would vote.

The Liberal party indicated dissatisfaction with the amended reply to Mr. Gray's question, and there will probably be a skirmish over it later in the session and almost certainly during the election campaign.

Social Credit Board Will Cease to Exist on Date of Assembly Dissolution

EDMONTON, Feb. 14th.—The Social Credit Board, of which Glen L. MacLachlan, M.L.A., Coronation, has been chairman since its formation in 1937, will cease to exist when the present Assembly is dissolved.

The simple reason is that, since all members of the Board are members of the Assembly, the dissolution of the Assembly automatically dissolves the Board also. Provision for reorganization is contained in an amendment to The Social Credit Realization Act brought down by Hon. E. C. Manning on Monday.

OTTAWA LETTER

(Continued from page 1)

vice. Scheduled broadcasts were cancelled. All political parties agreed to the suspension, which will probably continue for the full week of mourning. The campaign of all parties will in a few days be resumed, and party leaders will make the speeches over the radio which have been postponed.

Sir Lyman P. Duff, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, who was sworn in as Administrator of Canada shortly after the death of Lord Tweedsmuir, will carry on the work of the Governor-General until a new representative of the King is appointed and comes to Ottawa. It may be that on account of the war, it may be some months before such an appointment is made.

Waiting for Key Speeches

Turning for a moment to the election campaign, capital circles are waiting for the key speeches of some of the leaders. Up to the present the Prime Minister has spoken, but soon he will be heard again in a broadcast and on platforms in Western Canada. It seems still uncertain whether his proposed trip with Mr. Lapointe will take in more than Winnipeg and parts of Saskatchewan. Mr. Howe has up-

Another subject of Mr. Duggan's disapproval is the printing of Government "propaganda" pamphlets at the public expense.

In the three sittings of the first week, eleven bills were introduced and two advanced to second reading.

There is a new group in the House this session calling themselves Independent Progressives. It consists of Messrs. Barnes, (who, if he cannot be called the leader of the party, will be conceded to be the doyen) Cockroft, Blue and MacLellan. Formerly they were known as non-caucus Social Credit members, but the breach between them and the more orthodox Social Crediters who compose the Government has been gradually widening, so that now they are quite definitely across the floor. Although still refusing to face in the same direction—they are "crossbenchers"—with the same proud obstinacy with which they formerly kept their seats at sufficient distance, that their elbows, even by accident, might not touch those of Government members.

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held the work of the War Supply Board. Other Cabinet Ministers have spoken in British Columbia, Saskatchewan and the Maritime Provinces.

Dr. Manion has spoken in Brockville, Ontario, and will broadcast from his constituency in Port William, Ontario, explaining his platform further. The C.C.F. will carry on an active

campaign throughout Canada. The leader of the New Democracy, Mr. Herridge, has broken his silence to say his party will have candidates in sections that are ready for them. But the election canvas is broad, and there is much brush work to be done on it before it presents a comprehensive and wholly comprehensible picture.

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I wonder how many women exclaimed during the pre-Christmas season that they never wished to hear the word "turkey" again. And not a doubt the Spring will find nearly the same number setting turkey eggs or at least leaving some turkey hens to their own devices.

Plucking becomes a tiresome job whether done by the members of the family or by a group gathered together for a "bee" for the purpose. Then, when it comes to marketing there is usually some disappointment as to grade or price or something. Then come rough calculations as to feed and labor expended on them and the family decision is most unanimous that raising turkeys is not a get-rich-quick scheme.

Only the Slightest Ruffle

These seem important features of our lives when we are in the midst of them and yet when we stop to look elsewhere, how trifling! We who have had letters from across the Ocean realize that our life has as yet been stirred only with the slightest ruffle on the surface, compared with the upheavals experienced elsewhere.

We hear the conflicting reports, the diverse opinions, voiced by the newspapers and radio, and we are sometimes completely at a loss to understand. Books and papers without end have been written, in justification or as propaganda or to denounce the actions, the motives, the nature of the people who are engaged in the present wars.

One of the most easily read of these books which would not come under any of the above headings, but rather under that of "Explanation" is the much-talked-of one of Nora Wain's, "Reaching for the Stars," (Little Brown & Co., Boston, \$3.50). If I remember correctly I reviewed her "House of Exile" several years ago for this page. In that highly interesting book she told of her prolonged visit in a wealthy merchant's family in China.

Since that time she has married a British official who has retired and who went to Germany and Vienna to study music, which had been his hobby. They spent four years there and she devoted her time to studying the people.

Spirit of Tolerance

Few people bring the breadth of experience and tolerance to the subject that she does. As she explains, she is Pennsylvania Dutch Quaker with a Swedish mother, and looked at situations and people with the traditional Quaker belief that if one approached people fearlessly and expected the best, that was what one got.

Her great tolerance and friendliness are evident through the book, but despite the fine people she met in different places, she was horrified to find the difference the new government was making out of a kindly, friendly people in so many instances.

One can not say it is a student's book, but it is a story of one woman's experience which I think you will find most interesting.

Yours sincerely,
H. ZELLA SPENCER.

Farm Home and Garden

Stuffed Fish: Mix 1/2 cup bread-crumbs with 3 teaspoons chopped or dried parsley, 1/2 teaspoon salt, dash of pepper, 1 teaspoon mixed herbs, 1 teaspoon lemon juice; add 2 tablespoons melted butter and half a beaten egg. Stuff fresh fish (this amount of dressing is enough for about 2-lbs. fish) and fasten with wooden skewers; brush with remaining beaten egg and sprinkle with a few bread-crumbs. Bake in a well greased pan for half an hour. Garnish with strips of fried bacon.

Tree Fruit Varieties: Recommended for Alberta by the Beaverlodge Experimental Sub-station as the most likely tree fruit for the west is the crab apple, of which Osman has been the hardest and most productive variety at Beaverlodge. Other varieties recommended as "more or less productive" are Olga, Bolgo, Columbia, Florence and Piotosh.

Baked Beans with Tomato Sauce: Soak overnight 1-1/2 cups white beans. Drain, cover with fresh water and cook slowly for about 30 minutes. Put half in baking dish. Mix 1-1/2 cups canned tomatoes with 1/2 teaspoon mustard, 3 teaspoons salt, 3 tablespoons each molasses and sugar, and 1 small onion, chopped. Pour

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That spell individual defeat.
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In hazardous fights with the soil,
And painfully scant are the wages
He gets for his toil!

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All share in the work of the year,
And very cheap labor provide him
That so he may still persevere.
And how are their efforts rewarded?
With life that is plain but serene?
No! Life on the farm grows more
sordid
And shabby and mean!

Clothes, health, education and travel
Are all to the farmer denied
Until he takes steps to unravel
The fetters with which he is tied.
The farmers need mobilization
To form one strong line of defence
Against the wide non-application
Of plain common-sense.

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half of mixture over beans; add remaining beans, cover with remaining tomato mixture. Cut in small pieces 1/4 lb. fat salt pork and sprinkle over beans. Bake about 4 hours, in a very slow oven. Keep covered except for last half hour. Add more water or tomatoes if necessary.

Meringues: Add a dash of salt to whites of 4 eggs; beat until stiff, but not dry. Add 1 cup of fine granulated or fruit sugar, a little at a time, beating thoroughly after each addition. Fold in 1 teaspoon vanilla or other flavoring. Drop by spoonful on baking sheet; bake in slow oven about 45 minutes.

Apple Compote with Orange Marmalade. Boil 12 tart apples in 1 quart of water until tender, strain, add 2 cups granulated sugar, and boil. Add 12 apples, cored and pared. When tender, remove whole apples, drain, set in dish, fill centres with marmalade. Boil syrup until it jells, then pour over apples. Serve with whipped cream.

Toilet Soap: Cold process. Put 1 can lye in stone jar with 2-1/2 pints cold water; stir until dissolved. Set aside to cool. Melt 2 lbs. clean fat, add 2 pounds olive oil; set aside until nearly cool, but still liquid. Stir lye into fat, and stir until thoroughly combined—no longer. Add 1/4 ounce oil of lavender, rose or violet. Pour into wooden box lined with cotton. Cover warmly and keep in warm place for 24 to 48 hours; then turn out and cut into cakes.

Activities of Farm Women's Locals

Mrs. E. Bellow is the new secretary of Energetic U.F.W.A. (Milk River).

Mrs. P. Plain is president and Mrs. H. Scott secretary of Sunnibend U.F.A. Local, Pibroch, this year.

Horse Hill U.F.W.A. met recently at the home of Mrs. J. A. Clarke, and decided to order more Red Cross material, states Mrs. M. E. Lowe, press reporter.

Ocotoks U.F.W.A. have made baby layettes since New Year's and will have two quilts ready for quilting at the February meeting, writes Miss N. K. Mundell.

The interesting report of their Convention delegate, Mrs. W. Richardson, and election of officers, formed the business at the annual meeting of

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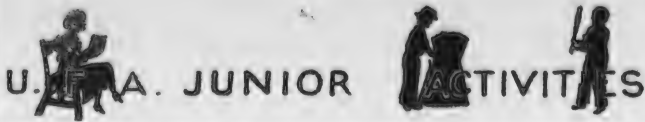
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PLANS FOR FARM YOUNG PEOPLE'S WEEK

Dear Juniors:

Farm Young People's Week will not seem quite the same this year to many of us who have had the privilege of attending in previous years, as we have lost one of our best friends in the death of Dean Howes. He always spent as much time as possible with the boys and had many friends among the farming population all over this

ed president, Mrs. Selmer Hoines vice-president, and Mrs. Nels W. Forss secretary.

Willow Springs U.F.W.A. (Bon Accord) started the year with \$73 in their treasury; members pay 50 cents dues, the Local making up the balance. Officers this year are Mrs. H. Samis, Mrs. C. F. Owen and Miss M. Rafn. Mrs. Owen gave a splendid report of the Convention at the last meeting.

Partridge Hill U.F.W.A. (Fort Saskatchewan) have been having interesting meetings each month, with some good demonstrations, and have made a number of quilts for needy families. Mrs. V. R. Lawrence, Mrs. C. I. Alton and Mrs. Geo. Osbaldeston are the officers this year.

The tea hour, at the last meeting of Hillside U.F.W.A. (Millet) took the form of a celebration over the election of Mrs. Ross as Provincial president. "We are highly honored," writes Mrs. T. H. Howes, secretary, "to have her as a member of our Local." Mrs. Ruten gave an excellent report of the Convention, and Mrs. Hoskins was hostess.

country. To his family we extend our sincerest sympathy.

Arrival day for the Junior Conference will be June 4th, and closing day June 12th, less than four months away. This Conference is open to any farm boy or girl between the ages of 16 and 25.

The Department of Agriculture is again offering two scholarships to one of the schools of agriculture to the boy and girl securing the highest marks on an examination of the week and the reading course.

The United Farmers of Alberta are sponsoring the Public Speaking Contest and are giving worthwhile cash prizes.

Competitions will also be held in grain judging, livestock judging, etc., with cash prizes.

The only cost of attending this week is board plus transportation, so why not put on a dance or entertainment to raise funds to send one or two delegates to Edmonton in June? You will never regret it. Just ask any of your friends who have been able to attend. This is probably the one opportunity many rural boys and girls will have for a taste of college life. The experience of living and learning with a hundred or more other young people is important.

Full information is being sent to all Junior Locals. If there is any other information or advice you wish in this connection, please don't hesitate to drop us a line.

Looking forward to meeting many of you at Farm Young People's Week.

Yours sincerely,

EILEEN BIRCH,
Secretary.

Junior News Items

Asker and Calumet Junior Locals co-operated in producing an enjoyable program to a capacity crowd at Asker Hall recently. The program consisted of two half-hour plays, one by each Local, and a variety of other items.

Organized last summer, Ranfurly Juniors have had good meetings every month with an average attendance of 36 members. Officers this year are Philip Austin, Lola Royer and Betty Poaps.

An Amateur Program, sponsored by the Conrich Junior U.F.A., was highly successful, both from the entertainment viewpoint and the financial, writes Marjorie Wood, secretary; schools and individuals within a radius of fifteen miles took part, and provided a very enjoyable program. Dorothy McLaughlin, Ralph McElroy and Winston McElroy are the other officers.

SPORT

The Alberta senior hockey league has developed into a pretty fair race for the top. Calgary has held that position right along but the Stampede are in for some stiff competition, particularly from the Lethbridge Leafs and the T. V. Oilers.

The Stampede's ability to beat the Oilers has kept them up on the top rung. The Oilers are a rugged lot with plenty of goal scoring ability and a strong defence. But they do not seem to click against the Stampede.

Drumheller has come along as well as expected. So has Olds and Coleman. It's pretty tough competition for the towns with restricted rink seating.

There were three lynchings in the U.S. in 1939, as compared with 231 in one year in the early 1890's.



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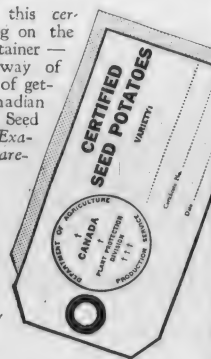
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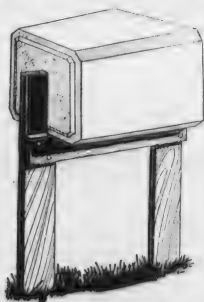
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World Wheat Situation

Most of the world's wheat is of the winter variety, sown in the autumn and harvested in the following spring. Consequently, March and April are always "crop scare" months, as it is when the snow is gone and the wheat plant emerges from its hibernation that the damage, if any, is ascertainable.

Usually the greatest damage is done to winter wheat by alternate periods of freezing and thawing. But if the wheat has a good start in the autumn and experiences a lusty growth, and if a good snow covering protects it during the coldest period of the winter, it seldom sustains damage.

The very important United States hard winter wheat region had a most extraordinary dry spell last autumn and the winter wheat showed exceptionally poor condition before the snows came. The winter weather has been characterized by fairly good snowfall and intense cold. In some sections the wheat has shown improvement, but nothing will be definitely known until warm weather brings on plant growth. The first United States government report will be issued on April 10th.

Europe experienced its coldest winter in fifty years and it is believed that extensive damage has been done to the winter wheat over large areas. Europe has not had a really bad crop for years, and tremendous hardship is sure to develop if the harvest outturn is poor and the war continues.

Both Argentina and Australia are doing their best to sell their wheat surpluses, but ocean freights from the southern hemisphere to Europe are rising. It costs \$27 a ton to ship wheat from the Plate River to Antwerp, which is more than the cost of the wheat. As shipping damage continues ocean rates will rise and the shorter voyages will be preferred.

Argentina's new crop wheat is of very poor quality. Australia has a big crop, 185 million bushels of good quality wheat, but is worried about how to get it to Europe.

"Bearish" features to the market lie principally in the assured record-breaking world wheat carryover and the probability of United States farmers redeeming some 150 million bushels of wheat, pledged to the government for loans, and selling it on the open market.

Food prices in the British Isles remained quite steady during December, due to the policy of the Government of bearing losses involved in preventing increases in retail costs. This policy was costing the Government about £1,000,000 a week in the early part of February.

Two-day courses in weed control for weed inspectors, municipal councillors and secretaries and others particularly interested are being held by the Provincial Department of Agriculture at Red Deer, Olds, Calgary, Camrose, Vermilion and Edmonton.

TO PROTECT CIVIL SERVANTS

EDMONTON, Feb. 14th.—A motion to reserve jobs in the civil service for returned men as they begin to arrive back from the war went by the board in the Assembly Tuesday afternoon. Not because there was any disagreement as to the principle but because, as Hon. E. C. Manning pointed out, there is already a bill of somewhat similar tenor before the House and the motion, which was by E. L. Gray, Liberal leader, was ruled out of order on the former ground.

The bill which is before the House is The Alberta Civil Servants War Service Act, 1940. It provides full salary for married volunteers and half salary for unmarried provided they have been a year in the civil service; also that he will be re-employed if he has been a permanent employee or a temporary employee before the war, provided he applies within three months of discharge or twelve months of the end of the war. The bill also contains clauses for the protection of the volunteer's superannuation entitlements.

Livestock Markets Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Feb. 14th.—The cattle market is about steady, cows selling 10c to 25c lower. Medium to good lightweight steers are \$5.75 to \$6.25; common to plain \$5 to \$5.50; good light heifers \$6 to \$6.25; common to medium and heavies \$4.75 to \$5.75. Good choice fed calves are \$6.50 to \$7, medium \$6 to \$6.25; good cows \$4. to 4.25; tops \$4.50; common to medium \$3.50 to \$4. Canners and cutters are \$2.25 to \$3.25, with good bulls \$4.25, common to medium \$3.50 to \$4. Good choice veal calves are \$8 to \$9, common to medium \$5 to \$7; plain to good stocker feeder steers \$4.50 to \$5.50. Hogs are steady with bacon \$8.35 and good lambs \$8.25.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Feb. 14th.—Trading is slow on the cattle market with prices holding steady. Good to choice fed calves are \$6.25 to \$6.75; good to choice light steers \$6 to \$6.50; good to choice heavy steers \$5.75 to \$6; common to fair \$3.75 to \$4.75. Good to choice heifers are \$5.50 to \$6; common to fair \$3.50 to \$4. Good to choice cows \$3.75 to \$4.25; common to medium \$3 to \$3.75; canners and cutters \$2.75 down. Bulls are \$3 to \$4.25. Stocker and feeder steers are up to \$5.50; heifers \$4.75 down and cows 3.50 down. Heavy to plain calves are \$4.50 to \$8, good to choice lightweights \$8.50 to \$9.50. Hogs are \$8.40 for bacon off trucks, selects bringing a 50c premium, butchers discounted \$1. Good to choice lightweight lambs are \$8 to \$8.50.

Heavy hog marketings in the U.S.—the largest in 16 years—are curtailing the market for Canadian beef cattle in American markets. Only 6,314 head were shipped across the line in January as compared with 32,746 in January, 1939.

Dairy Market

There has been little or no change in the Western butter market. The sellers are holding out at more than the buyers want to pay and as a result there is little activity. Montreal is quoted at 27, Toronto 27-1/4, and Winnipeg 25-3/4. Local prices are unchanged—28c for first grade prints and 25c for special grade butterfat.

Australian Farmers' Stand

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Feb. 14th.—In a broadcast to the Empire Hon. Mr. Cameron, leader of the Country Party, which represents the Australian Farmers in Parliament, stated that the farmers stood solidly behind Britain in her war against Germany. They expected that in Europe as elsewhere following the war, "the source of life would then exist for the many and not for the profit of the few."

Assets of Sun Life Reach All Time Record in 1939

Assets of the Sun Life Assurance Company reached an all-time record at the end of 1939, standing at \$914,000,000, the president, Arthur B. Wood, revealed at the annual meeting in Montreal this week. Normal earnings for the year were the highest in the company's history; and the sum of \$90,000,000 was paid out to policyholders during the year. The great majority of the Company's one million policyholders are in Canada, the U.S., Great Britain and the British Empire.

Emphasizing the fact that life insurance business is now more than a matter of provision of a sum of money at the death of a wage earner, Mr. Wood said that in 1939 Sun Life paid almost three times as much to living policyholders as to beneficiaries. Annuity payments were distributed to over 18,000 persons, more than half of them over seventy years of age.

CJCL — The Progressive Station of the West

Another of the new radio programs now being featured over the CJCL broadcast band is the afternoon half hour identified as "Yours and Mine." Dedicated to the enjoyment of those who follow the request programs, the half hour as directed by Monty Montpelli will play the favorite selections as they are asked for from time to time. It will also carry on the service of playing the special greetings for the shut-ins who from time to time are remembered by their friends in some special word of greeting. The time of the program will be from 4 until 4:30 daily.

A number of CBC Sunday features are now being found on the Sunday schedule of CJCL. The "Church of the Air" at 3 o'clock. "The World Today" at 4:30; "An Appointment with Agostini" at 5:30; and the Music of Mart Kenney at 9:30 p.m., all represent highlight favorites with the listening audience that are all available to the radio audience through the facilities of the *Albertan Broadcasting Station*.

"The Cadle Tabernacle Period," usually heard at 9 a.m. each morning, has been switched to an earlier time. From now on listeners to this morning feature will find it necessary to dial in 75 minutes earlier as the electrically transcribed feature will now be on the air at 7:45 a.m. The Church of the Nazarene will occupy the 9 o'clock time with a daily broadcast direct from the church as they renew the program they formerly released; "Thoughtful Moments."

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Minorcas	13.50	22.00	12.50	20.00	
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B. Rocks	12.75	20.00	11.75	18.00	
B.R. Chks.	10.00		10.00		
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The spirit of good fellowship that exists between Felix Mills, maestro on the "Silver Theatre" program, and the members of his orchestra, is one of the biggest factors in the success that the music director has achieved. To the men in his orchestra he is known as "Skipper". One of the reasons for this is due to the fact that "Skipper" Mills judges each of the men who make up his musical organization on their ability to get along with other people as well as on their talent as musicians before he accepts them as members.

Bing Crosby arrived at the Kraft Music Hall rehearsal 30 minutes late last Thursday because his automobile had splashed water on a pedestrian en route. Observing that he had splashed the man, a middle-aged rug salesman, Bing stopped to apologize, then drove the victim home to get dry clothing. During the ride, the man asked Bing for (1) a tip on a long shot and (2) a pair of tickets to Bing's broadcast. He got the tickets, but not the racing tip.

Declined in War Years

During the last war wheat production in France, Belgium, Germany and Austria-Hungary declined 44 per cent from the average of the years 1911-13 to 1917-18, the Pioneer Grain Company's weekly grain letter points out, in a comprehensive survey of the effects of war on agriculture.

Hold Annual Meeting

EDMONTON.—The annual meeting of the Provincial organization of the Alberta Wholesale Implement Association was held at the Macdonald Hotel on Saturday last, February 10th, when one of the largest and most satisfactory meetings in the history of the organization was held. There was a good attendance present from the Calgary Branches, some 16 members being there from Calgary.

The meeting was addressed by Prof. J. MacGregor Smith of the University of Alberta, and by S. W. Field, Barrister of Edmonton.

Two of the honorary life members, who were charter members of the organization but who are not now in the implement business, were present as guests, these being Messrs. J. T. Atkinson and A. W. Trickey, both of Calgary, the former having previously been Manager of the J. I. Case Company for Alberta and the latter having

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DISCUSS CO-OPERATIVE WORK

The co-operative effort of the U.F.A. and the future of the co-operative movement as a whole were the subjects of addresses by Jack Sutherland and George Church to an interested crowd at the annual meeting of Tudor U.F.A. J. M. Wheatley also spoke briefly. Last year's officers, Emil Cammaert, Joe Stinn and Alf Stinn, were re-elected; and P. C. Geeraert was re-elected director on the Tudor district U.F.A. Co-operative board.

A hundred farm people at a recent meeting of Lake Eliza U.F.A. Local supported a resolution asking the Federal Government to make a further payment of 20 cents a bushel on wheat sold in the 1939-40 season; and further that prices be set on farm products to meet the costs of production.

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Hello, Folks!

We see by the papers that they've had a bank holdup in Victoria. Gosh! we wonder anybody noticed it.

For publishing "hot" stories the editors of *Hush*, one of Toronto's scandal sheets, have been sent to the cooler.

According to a Hollywood news item, 240 movie stars have contributed their favorite recipes to a new cookery book. Including, of course, the one on how to cook your husband's goose.

Prague radio report says that a number of students hurled lumps of paving stones at a band of Nazi troopers? Concrete arguments, what?

Says the *Calgary Albertan*: "If you see Eight you are color blind." Yep, but if you see pink elephants you are completely blotto.

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—J. J. Ingals, in *Men Only*.

In France there is a village entirely populated by lunatics. Over here we wouldn't think of calling Hollywood a village.

And another of life's great mysteries is whether people sing in their bath tubs because they are happy or because the door won't fasten securely.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH

A pretty girl can make even a fat man feel small.

Any man who questions his wife's judgment should take a good look in the mirror.

"Boys will be boys," may be true, but we've got a sneaking idea that in wartime we expect them to be men.

Doc Manion declares that Canada's war effort, as demonstrated by the Liberal Government, is inefficient. But in our opinion when it comes to filling jobs with men who didn't need 'em, it can't be beaten.

NANCY MAY BE RIGHT

"The only hope of the world is woman."—Lady Astor. She must be right. We're doing our darndest to kill the men off.

TODAY'S PUZZLE

"Mr. Tierney never carried a hand behind him in his life unless he was using it to hold a handkerchief to mop his industrious brow."

—*Gilmour County Republican*.

Now that Irene has gone and got herself a real live husband, Wally, our incurable bach., is breathing freely again.

WHY TEACHERS GET GREY

"The Scots do not go to the Church of England. They go to the Free Church."

Then there's the very efficient lover who bought his girl friend a nice new radio so that she could while away the long winter evenings when her husband was at home.

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Now Maggie Mugwump of Grande Prairie,

Though she isn't exactly a fairy,
She sighs such soft sighs,
When she uses her eyes,
That the boys have to be very wary.

TODAY'S BRIGHT THOUGHT

The greatest coward is the man who is afraid of himself.

The Nazi radio station at Berlin insists that there is "something very mysterious" about Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King's sudden dissolution of parliament. Maybe he just wants to keep Herr Hitler guessing.

OUCH! OUCH!! OUCH!!!

Boy, quick! Gimme a sentence using the word stanza. Li'l Goldilocks often stutters but Knotty Frankie understandsa.

A noiseless hammer has been invented in Germany. But we'll bet that even that won't keep Hitler quiet when he hits his thumb.

IS THIS TRUE, GIRLS?

Postcard from Cynical Gus declares that when a girl shouts "O" she means nough.

The Bad Egg of Crow's Nest says you should never kiss and tell. Nope, the other guy may date her up.

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If I hear once more

"South of the Border."

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At that we rather fancy the sweet young things will prefer to take a man at his face value.

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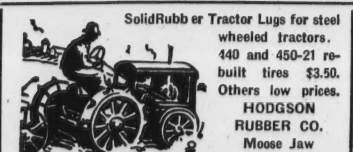
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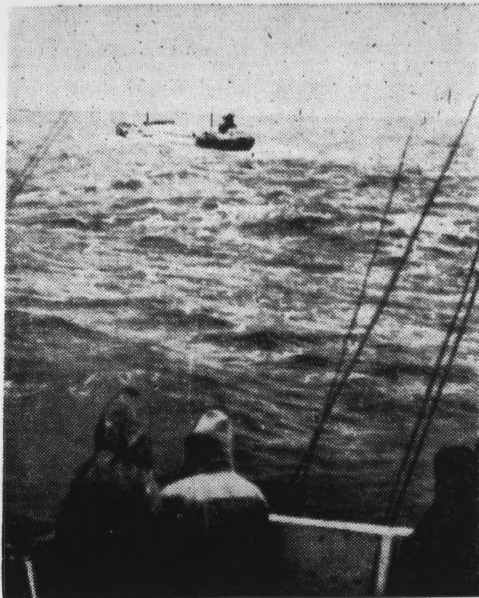
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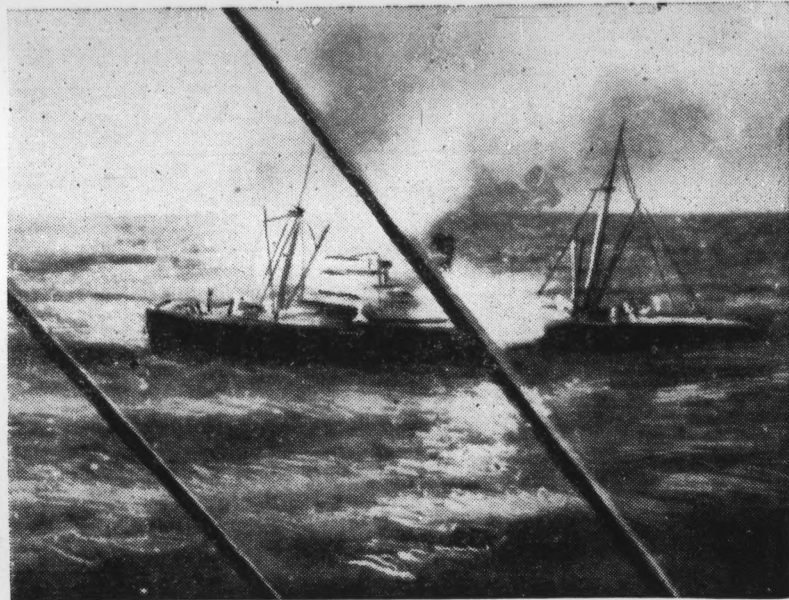
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As Scuttlers Sent Another of Own Ships to Davy Jones' Locker



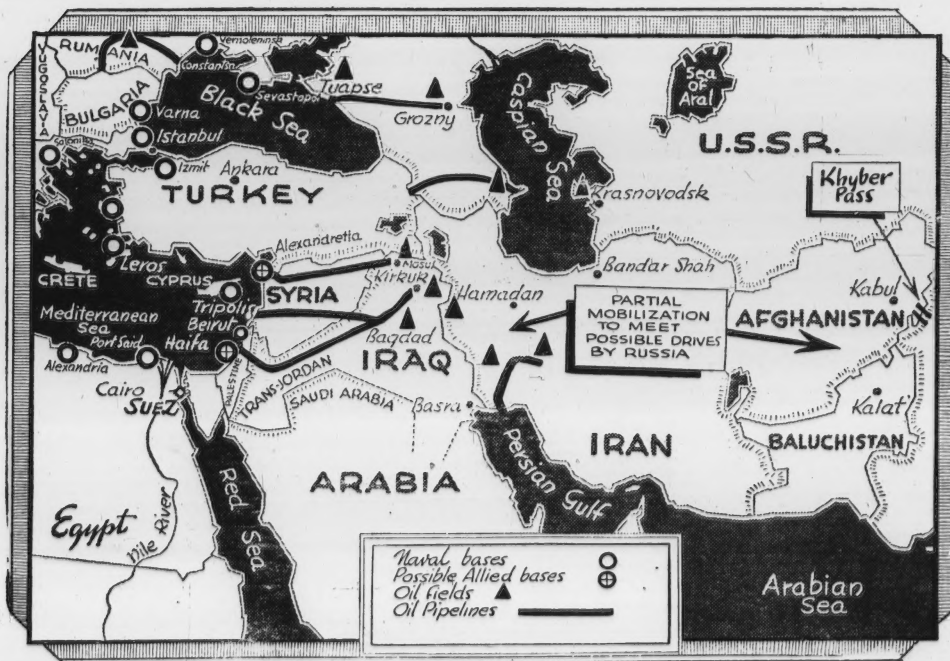
Further additions to the number of Nazi ships which have been scuttled to escape capture by British warships have been made during the past few days, the latest reported being the freighter *Wolffs'urg*, fired by her own crew. The picture above depicts another such episode of the sea which occurred quite recently, when the 10,000



ton tanker *Antiochia* of Hamburg, flying a neutral flag, refused to stop for a warship of the Royal Navy until a shot was fired across her bows. Then, heaving to, her crew began opening up the seacocks. At left the ship is seen slowly sinking, while the rescue of the crew is being carried out by the warship. With the crew safely aboard,

the warship threw shells into the *Antiochia*, setting her ablaze as seen in the picture on the right and sealing the fate of another member of Germany's mercantile marine, most of which is either hiding in neutral harbors or idling in German ports.

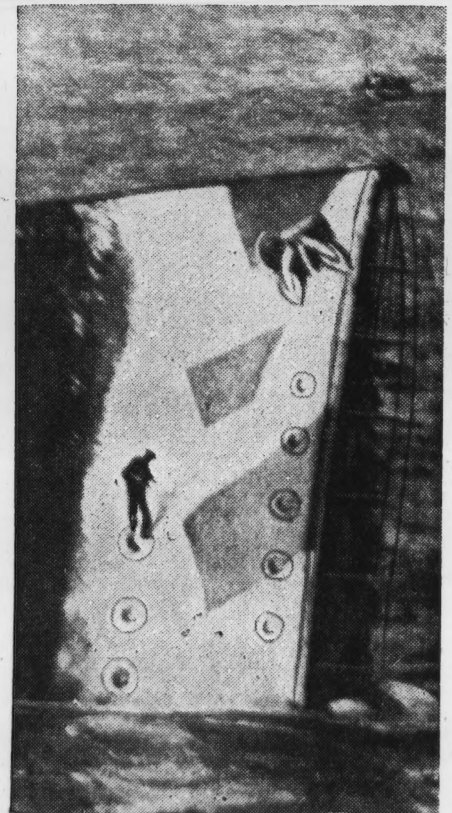
If War Should Spread to Near East



Will war spread to the Near East and beyond? While Lord Strabolgi, former British Naval commander, recently warned against any avoidable action which might drive Russia still closer to Germany and perhaps add another belligerent to those faced by the Allies, persistent reports from Europe suggest that tension on Near Eastern frontiers is increasing. Hitler, some reports indicate (they may be merely guesses, shrewd or otherwise) may seek to maintain complete stalemate in the West, while with Russian co-operation he organizes oil and other material supplies from the East. The sketch above gives the draughtsman's conception of the new

theatres of war which might be opened up should Russia become actively involved—in which event not only the frontiers of Iran and Iraq might be scenes of conflict, but even Afghanistan. Heavy concentrations of French and British forces, including troops from New Zealand and Australia, (unofficially estimated at 30,000) which reached Suez last week, as well as Senegalese and other colonial troops, have taken place in the Near East—the French in Syria, the British in Palestine and Egypt. Turkey is well prepared, and has recently driven out German spies and saboteurs and taken control of German owned Krupp Shipyards.

Sailor's Dramatic Rescue



Unable to swim, Seaman Sidney George Bromfield of the British destroyer *Grenville*, struck by torpedo or mine, is seen clinging precariously with hands and feet to two portholes as the ship hung almost perpendicularly in the water. For an hour and a half he hung on for dear life, until he was rescued just before the destroyer took her final plunge.